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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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AS A NOVEL DIAGNOSTIC TOOL**

Applicant: Stephen F. Badylak et al.

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on May 3, 2005, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the accompanying remarks. Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to file this response, extending the due date for response to November 3, 2005. Our check for a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) accompanies this response. Applicants believe that no other fees are required with this response. If additional fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the same to the account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to our matter 3220-74581.